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LIVE STOCK DEALERS WROTH. secretary Morton Charged with In Juring Their Business.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., April 20 .- At a meeting of the members of the Kansas City Live Stock Exchange, held this afternoon, the action of Secretary Morton in regard to the recent advance in the price of meats was up for discussion. At its conclusion Secretary R. P. Woodbury was directed, through the board of directors, to send "We, the members of the Kansas City Live Stock Exchange, have noticed with profound regret the recent newspaper agitation about increased cost of live stock and the unwarranted and untrue statements made. Alleged conversations with you regarding a proposed investigation have been the basis for a series of newspaper articles which have had the effect of causing the market for live stock to be unwarrantably agitated. We can only attribute this and its consequent serious loss as the direct results of reports alleged to originate from your department concerning investigations you propose to make. Prices of live stock have decreased correspondingly with the consumption of beef, and we, therefore, respectfully protest against the widespread agitation for which your department seems responsible, and respectfully suggest that investigation be made quickly and without further harmful agitation. We court full and thorough investigation of all interests connected with the live stock market." Secretary Morton the following telegram:

WILL TRY AGAIN.

Officers of Western Roads Will Attempt to Form an Association.

CHICAGO, April 20 .- The executive officers of the Western lines have at last concluded to take a hand in regulating the passenger affairs of their roads. No meeting has been called as yet, but for the last three days Vice President Newman, of the Chicago & Northwestern, has been hard at work engineering, with the co-operation of Chairman Caldwell, another movement for the reorganization of the Western Passenger Association. It is conceded by all lines that the present agreement is of small account, and that a stronger one is needed. The lines have finally made up their minds that an agreement which permits any line to do as it pleases, if it only gives an advance notice of its intention, is practically powerless to maintain rates. The plan on which Mr. Newman is now working is to go back to the old idea of three organizations—a transcontinental association, a transmissouri association and a third for the territory between Chicago and the Missouri river. It is intended to have the three associations work in harmony as far as possible, and not take separate action where joint interests are concerned. The Atchison is the principal stickler for one association, the majority of the other lines being against it. The Atchison people, however, will not stand in the way of the formation of the three associations if it is satisfied it can be done. senger Association. It is conceded by all

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EVAN LEWIS BEATEN

WRESTLING MATCH FOR WORLD'S

CHAMPIONSHIP WON BY BURNS. The "Farmer" Was in Good Condition, While His Opponent Was as

Fat as an Indiana Prize Pig.

CHICAGO, April 20.-The wrestling match for the world's championship between Evan Lewis and Martin, known as "Farmer" Burns, was won by Burns. Lewis won the first fall in fifteen minutes; Burns the second in twenty-five; Lewis the third in twenty-two minutes and eight seconds; Burns the fourth in one minute, and Burns the fifth and match in ten minutes ten seconds. The match was catch-as-catch-can, best three out of five fails. Burns, who weighed 161 pounds, was in splendid condition, while Lewis, who tipped the scales at two hundred, was as fat as a prize pig. Time was called at 8:45. Burns started on the defensive at the outset, and throughout the first bout Lewis did nearly all the work. The greater part of the time Burns was on his hands and knees, with Lewis trying to turn him. Burns cleverly broke a hammer lock, twisted out of a half-Nel-

a hammer lock, twisted out of a half-Nelson two minutes later and then went down with a hammer lock.

Both men started in easy for the second fall, Lewis particularly so. Lewis was the first to assume the aggressive, but could accomplish nothing, and he then went on the defensive, but Burns seemed able to do no more with him. Lewis finally got a bad hold on Burns's leg, but the latter puned away, both men taking it easy for a few minutes. Lewis got a half-Nelson, which Burns broke and a quick turn threw Lewis over his head. He lifted Lewis bodily several times and finally dropped him on his back, where, after a few minutes' work he won the fall with a hammer lock, which Lewis struggled desperately to break. The crowd, which was four fifths for Burns, went wild with delight.

Burns started on the aggressive in the third, but Lewis broke his holds as quickly as he formed them. Lewis rushed Burns several times to the ropes, and once had his man nearly down, but Burns grabbed the rope and broke away. Lewis got a double-Nelson, which Burns broke, doing the same thing with a half-Nelson. Lewis then assumed the aggressive violently and downed Burns with a body hold, in a flying fall. The fall was fair and square, but the crowd objected so streneously referee the crowd objected so streneously referee Charles Duplesiss, of Chicago, felt called upon to make a speech in his own defense. In the fourth Burns feinted for a leg hold, In the fourth Burns feinted for a leg hold, rushed and threw his man like a flash with a half-Nelson. Time, one minute.

In the last bout Lewis got his hands tightly drawn across Burn's mouth and nose, choking him so hard that the blood was forced out of the "Farmer's" nose. Burns, after three minutes tugging worked loose, and then went at Lewis like a cyclone. He had Lewis with one shoulder to the floor, with a body hold and when Lewis broke that, Burns lifted him clean from the floor, trying to drop Lewis on his back. He twice had Lewis with his head to the floor and his feet in the air. The second time he dropped quickly and in a twinkling had Lewis half turned with a hammer lock. The champion struggled like a wild man, but it did him no good. Burns turned him slowly, inch by inch, and finally downed him amid deafening cheers from the three thousand spectators.

"Parson" Davies, on behalf of D. C. Mc-Leod, the Scotchman, challenged the winner.

Sutton Let Of Easy. FRANKFORT, Ky., April 20.—The Kentucky Court of Appeals Confirmed the two-year sentence of R. A. Sutton, the Louis-ville warehouse-receipt forger. It also reversed the ten-year sentence, on the ground of defective indictments.

Probable Suicide of a Minister. SOMERSET, Pa., April 20.—Rev. Robert I. Patton was killed here to-night by a sitimore & Onio train. His friends stated

patriotic newspaper. It will be wholly independent of party ties, striving for that which is best for the Nation, heedless of the dictates of mere partisanship. In national affairs, while avoiding alliance with any party, it will always forcefully and earnestly advocate the doctrine of protection to American industry. Under that protective system, as experience has shown, is the surest means of advancing commercial and industrial prosperity and the easiest and most equitable method of raising revenue. The paper is absolutely opposed to the free coinage of silver by this Nation at the ratio of 16 to 1 or at any other ratio. In local affairs there will be no color of partisanship in the attitude of the Times-Herald. "Upon this simple platform the Times-Herald takes its stand. Political independence at all times; protection to American industries; sound money and complete non-partisanship in muncipal affairs."

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BRITISH SMACK HIT

Two Seamen Said to Have Been Killed -The Vessel Taken to Santiago De Cuba-Rebels Defeated.

KEY WEST, Fla., April 20.-It has been reported here by the master of the British schooner Gertrude, which arrived from Nassau to-day, that a British smack which plies regularly between Long Key and Nassau was fired upon by a Spanish gunboat and two of her seamen killed, and the schooner was taken to Santiago de Cuba by the gunboat. Great excitement exists at Nassau over the affair.

Rebels Growing Stronger.

MADRID, April 20.-The Imparcial today publishes a dispatch from Havana which states that the insurgents in the province of Santiago de Cuba number six thousand men. The dispatch adds that two new bands have appeared in the vicinity of Baracoa, province of Santiago de Cuba.

Eleven Rebels Killed. MADRID, April 20 .- A telegram just received from Cuba that Colonel Santocildes has defeated the insurgents at Manzanillo. Eleven rebels were killed and many were

OBITUARY.

Brig..Gen. Charles T. Campbell, Veteran of Three Wars. CHAMBERSBURG, Pa., April 20 .- A telegram received here announces the death in South Dakota of Gen. Charles T. Campbell, aged seventy-one, a former resident of this city. General Campbell was a veteran of the Mexican war and First Pennsylvania Artillery in the late war and was afterwards made brigadier general by President Lincoln. At the close of the war he continued in the regular service and made a brilliant record against the Indians in

Other Deaths.

WILCOX, A. T., April 20.—George W. Baker, well-known on the coast and in the East, died here of pneumonia. Baker was born at Lancaster, Pa., and was a graduate from Harvard. Baker edited the first Democratic morning campaign paper established in Philadelphia. Early in life he moved to California with the fortyniners and was city recorder of San Francisco for four years. He married Mary, a sister of Harriet Lane.

CHICAGO, April 20.—Gen. R. M. Stevenson, editor of the Chieftain, Pueblo, Col., died at the Victoria Hotel to-day. His wife was with him. They had been at the hotel since Sunday. General Stevenson was taken ill while en routs to New York. The remains will be sent West to-night. Death resulted from nervous prostration. SAN JOSE, Cal., April 20.—Prof. Thomas G. George, one of the pioneer educators of the Pacific coast, died at his home at Col-lege Park this morning. From 1876 to 1891 he held the chair of natural sciences at the University of the Pacific Coast.

FLAGSTAFF, A, T., April 20.—Wm. G. Stewart, Republican candidate for delegate to Congress two years ago, has just died of consumption. He was a native of Iowa. Preacher Sues for Salary. WICHITA, Kan., April 20.—A novel suit has been filed in the court here. The Rev. L. A. Hall, paster of the First Baptist Church, has been unable to receive his pay for some time back, and to-day attached the communion set, Bibles, hymn books and furniture of the church.

Blackbawk Must Die. WINONA, April 20.—The tribe of Win-nichick Indians are said to have decreed the death of Blackhawk, whom they all believe was responsible for the murder of Yellow Bank.

Dr. Buchanan to Be Killed This Week. ALBANY, N. Y., April 20.—Governor Morton has denied the application for a respite for Dr. Buchanan and he will accordingly be executed during the coming week.

he had fallen between the cars, but it is believed here that he dropped between them with a desire to end his life. He was twenty-seven years of age. Two years ago he graduated from Bethany College, West Virginia, as a Disciple minister, and accepted a charge in Eagle Mills, N. Y. A short time ago he returned home broken down in health. He tried to get some other kind of employment, saying he had made a mistake in entering the ministry, but could not. He had been at Pittsburg to-day hunting work, and had been unsuccessful. His death occurred on the way home. His brother, F. F. Patton, of Chillicothe, O., is a traveling agent for the Baltimore & Ohio. Serve a Twenty-Year Sentence.

ACCUSED OF BEING A SPY

MOVE FINALLY MADE BY GRESHAM TO SECURE AN EXPLANATION.

that place in time and a flagman was sent ahead, but did not get far enough to stop the passenger, which collided with the freight at full speed. Engineer Mike McDonagh, of the passenger, was buried under the debris of the engines and his skull fractured. He will probably die. Grafton Wheeler, fireman of the passenger, was badly hurt. Both live at Newark. Postal cierk Walter Gregg, of Barnesville, and baggagemaster Stewart Spear, of Newark, were also seriously injured. No passengers were hurt, all escaping with a lively shaking up and a few scratches. The crew of the freight train escaped by jumping. A carload of cattle were killed. Embassador Eustis Instructed to Examine Into the Matter-The American's Concession Probably Stolen.

WASHINGTON, April 20 .- News has been received to the effect that the French authorities in Madagascar have put ex-United States Consul Waller aboard a steamer and sent him under guard to France. He is under sentence of twenty years' imprisonment on a charge of being a spy in the interest of the Hovas in Madagascar, against whom the French have been waging war, which sentence was imposed by a court-martial at Tamatave. While this action on the part of the French government will only add to the amount of indemnity it will be called on to pay, should Mr. Waller's friends show that the charge is baseless, it will facilitate the efforts of the Department of State to fully develop the facts in the case, as it can now communicate directly with United States Embassador Eustis, instead of being obliged to adopt the tedious course of acting through an inferior consular officer in Madagascar, out of reach of cable communication. Mr. Eustis has been instructed to pursue the matter to an end and make a thorough examination of all the facts attending the punishment of this American citizen. He will also make a special examination into the legality, under treaty stipulations, of the trial of a citizen of a friendly nation her \$200,000 interest.

"The transaction is one that is most satisfactory to all who are interested in the paper. Mr. Kohlsaat had been intimately associated with Mr. Scott for many years. Mrs. Scott will receive from the Times-Herald an annuity of \$10,000 for ten years during her life. This income will, of course, be in addition to that derived from the sale of her stock.

"The policy of the Times-Herald under its ownership will be that of an earnest, patriotic newspaper. It will be wholly independent of party ties, striving for that by court-martial, instead of by the regular civil tribunals, as is customary and perhaps absolutely essential. Moreover, the case may involve the right of France to exercise jurisdiction over the internal affairs of Madagascar, from which she appears to have been expressly excluded by the treaty of 1885, which gave her only jurisdiction over

the foreign relations of Madagascar. The Washington friends of Waller in his behalf on the State Department. Among other prominent men who have displayed an interest in the ease is Senator Voorhees, who has had interviews with Secretary Gresham and has presented to him in a strong light the importance and propriety of the United States investigating the question of Waller's treatment. Senator Voorhees said he had found Mr. Gresham is disposed to have it probed to the bottom. The Secretary stated that he had already placed in the possession of Embassador Eustis all the facts and had given him instructions to thoroughly investigate

There can be no doubt that the Waller incident will prove to be one of the most difficult that this administration has had to contend with. The principles involved are of the utmost importance, and should the statements of Waller's friends be well founded the government of the United States, under no circumstances, can admit the correctness of the action of the French officials without thereby admitting its indisposition or inability to protect our citi-

zens in foreign countries. An interesting question which has arisen at this stage is what has become of Mr. Waller's concessions. He had an absolute grant of about two hundred miles of most valuable lands in Madagascar, abounding in rubber trees and other tropical products which he had partially arranged to market. It is well known here that every effort has been made to dispossess him by other holders of concessions, who lesired to seize on these lands. But, so far as the facts are known, Mr. Waller obtained these concessions in a perfectly legitimate manner and his title must be protected. Our government has uniformly held, notably in cases arising in Central America, that an American citizen cannot be dispossessed of a concession so long as he complied with its terms, by any revolution in the government of the country where it may be situated. The rule of international law is clear as to the preservation of the individual's title in such cases, and, having laid down this doctrine in our relations with the weaker nations of this continent, the State Department can

scarcely do less than maintain it as against The information reaching Washington gives the details of the charge under which Waller was convicted as a spy. The French had determined to make a descent on one of the large Hovas towns. It was to be a night attack, and was intended to be a decisive stroke. The arrangements for the move were guarded with the utmost secrecy. In some way, however, Waller learned of the French movement, and is said to have conveyed full information to the Hovas. The latter quickly armed the threatened town, so that when the French soldiers appeared they were met by an effective resistance. Instead of taking the place by surprise, they found every one alert for the attack. The alleged treachery was closely investigated, and, it is claimed, traced to Waller. Aside from the chagrin to which the French forces were put by having their plans miscarry, it is said to have seriously retarded the progress of the

French expedition in Madagascar. The French embassador at Washington. M. Patenotre, has not yet been informed of the Waller proceedings, Mr. Gresham is dealing with the French Minister of Foreign Affairs, through our embassador at Paris.

MARSEILLES, April 20.-The steamship Diemmah, from the island of Madagascar, has arrived here, having on board Mr. John L. Waller, formerly United States consul

at Tamatave, who was recently tried by court-martial and sentenced to twenty years' imprisonment on the charge of having been a spy in the interest of the Hovas. French Operations in Madagascar. PARIS, April 20.-An official dispatch received here from the island of Madagascar via Port Louis, island of Mauritius, announces that the French troops have oc-cupied the fortress of Ambodivohibe in the northern part of Madagascar after a vigor-ous attack. There was no loss of life on the French side.

THE INCOME TAX CASES.

Supreme Court May Act on the Petition for Rehearing Next Monday. WASHINGTON, April 20 .- The general expectation is that the Supreme Court will not postpone its decision beyond Monday on the application of Messrs. Hyde and Pollack for a rehearing on the income tax cases. This opinion is expressed by those who are very near to some of the members of the court. If there should be a written opinion, it would necessarily be brief, and the chances are that the decision will be a bare announcement. In case the decision is

averse to the petition the announcement will be made through the clerk of the court, and not from the bench. The general opinion of the attorneys who are most familiar with the practice of the court is that the motion will not be granted. They base this belief on various grounds. In the first place, it is understood that there is no desire on the part of sitting members of the court to bring Justice Jackson to sit in the case, and without his presence the case could not be tried a second time at the present session. To grant a rehearing and postpone it until next term would, they say, leave the law in a more unsatisfactory condition than it now is, and would fall to accomplish any desirable result. Furthermore, it is understood that the court has an aversion to granting rehearings, and it has in the past shown a disposition to resent efforts to secure them. Still there have been many cases in which such petitions have been favorably acted on, notwithstanding the prejudice against them, and there is a possibility of the court's overruling itself to the extent of granting the motion.

INDIAN HEAD ARMOR TESTS. Two Shots at Plates and One of the

Latter Cracked Open.

WASHINGTON, April 20.-The armor makers are rapidly delivering the last lots of armor for the big battle ships, and in a short time they will have completed their contracts. At Indian Head to-day there was an acceptance test of another plate, representing 313 tons of the side armor of the Massachusetts, which is about half of her side plating. This plate was eighteen inches thick and was attacked by a twelve-inch gun. The plate was nickel steel, tested by the Harvey process at Bethlehem. The first shot was fired at a velocity of 1,420 feet per second. It was what is known as the cracking shot, but it failed to crack the plate and smashed to pleces after penetrating about ten inches into the plate. The second shot, fired for penetration, got into the plate about eleven inches, when it was smashed to pieces, but it cracked the plate in a vertical line from top to bottom clear through, the crack standing open about two inches. Thus the plate behaved precisely in the same manner as the Carnegie plate for the Indiana, tried about two weeks ago. The result was regarded as satisfactory and the plate passed the test. The next test will be made on a Carnegle plate of the same dimensions as that tried to-day but intended for the side armor of the battle ship Oregon. This will probably be fired at some day next week.

The army fortifications board at its monthly meeting decided in the matter of tests to be imposed on the steel mortars proposed to be furnished by the Cramps, that the mortars must stand a comparison with the twelve-inch all-steel service mortar, instead of the twelve-inch cast iron steel hooped mortar. half of her side plating. This plate was

Silver Agitation in Germany. WASHINGTON, April 20 .- United States Consul Johnson, at Stuttgart, reports to the State Department that the monetary or silver question has been again made the few weeks in Germany. Meetings have been held in Stuttgart, Ulm. Calio, Haidenheim, Heilbronn, Reuttingen and in nearly all large towns of the kingdom to protest against any change in the present monetary system of the empire. Addresses have been sent to the Wurtemburg Minister of State, with the prayer that the Wurtemburg Ministry will, in conjunction with the other German states, do everything possible to prevent any action that would shake the firm foundation of the monetary system, and that no concessions shall be made that could endanger that system.

The Nicaragua Scare Blowing Over. WASHINGTON, April 20. - Admiral Meade's cruise of evolution in the Gulf of Mexico and the Caribbean sea is at an end and the ships will be headed homeward from Colon. The Minneapolis goes first to Jamaica and thence to Norfolk. Secretary Herbert says that the other vessels will be heard from next at Key West, whence they will proceed to New York. The Atlanta and the Raleigh, probably, will be left at the isthmus for a time, until order is restored in Colombia. These movements are regarded as establishing the fact that our government does not expect any trouble in Nicaragua as a result of the British ultimatum that will jeopardize American interests.

Mr. Hitt's Condition Is Serious. WASHINGTON, April 20.-Representative Hitt, of Illinois, who is lying dangerously ill here, was worse this afternoon. His physcians are with him almost constantly, and while they do not say the patient's condition is critical, they regard it as very grave. The primary trouble was an aggravated case of grip, but this has now developed other

serious complications.

At midnight Representative Hitt's condition was unchanged. While he was very low, the danger was not considered imminent. Dr. W. W. Johnston, his physician, will remain in the house all night.

The Postage Stamp Frauds. WASHINGTON, April 20 .- This afternoon in speaking of the capture of the stamp counterfeiters, Postmaster-general Wilson said: "When this matter was first discovered I feared that the frauds might have been extensive, the counterfeit being a very good one. But the requisitions for stamps from postmasters all over the country have been very large recently, showing that the counterfelts were not numerous enough to affect the revenue perceptibly."

General Notes.

WASHINGTON, April 20 .- In the revenuecutter service Captain Ottinger, Chief Engineer Robinson and First Assistant Engineers Dyce and Fitzpatrick have been gineers Dyce and Fitzpatrick have been placed on the retired list at half pay.

To-day's statement of the condition of the treasury shows: Available cash balances, \$183,547,568; gold reserve, \$90,471,981.

Superintendent N. M. Brooks, of the foreign mall service, has been notified that the "Universal Guide" completed by the international commission of the Universal Post Union, and containing lists of all the postoffices in the world, is practically completed and will be ready for distribution next July. The Dawes commission to the five civilized

The Dawes commission to the five civilized tribes met to-day. Commissioners Dawes, Montgomery, Armstrong and Cabannis were present. Allen R. Boyd, confidential clerk to Secretary Smith, was elected secretary to the commission at a salary of \$2,500 a year. He is a native of Georgia, and a resident of the Indian Territory.

The San Francisco has arrived at Alexandria, where she was ordered for the protection of missionaries in Syria.

A FLEXIBLE DECREE.

All Catholic Pythians Not Subject to the Pope's Recent Order.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., April 20.-Archbishop Ryan, of Philadelphia, who is here on a visit, was asked if he had any news about the decree against secret societies. He said: "No, for the papers have published Mgr. Satolli's action in granting a dispensation to the Knights of Pythias in Hart-ford, Conn. I believe that the decree will be interpreted in the mildest manner pos-sible. That is my wish and the wish of all the archbishops." "Do you mean that the Hartford dis-pensation will be extended to all dioceses?"
"It will be extended to all dioceses having

The reason given for making the Hart-ford dispensation was that several Knights of Pythias lodges in that diocese were made up wholly of French-Canadian Cath-

BANK CASHIER ARRESTED. Charged with Embessling Funds to the Amount of \$114,754.

FORT WORTH, Tex., April 20.-To-day

things took a different turn in the suspended City National Bank, Max Elser, late cashier and city treasurer of Fort Worth, was arrested this afternoon on an worth, was arrested this atternoon on an indictment returned by the grand jury yesterday, charging the embezzlement of funds to the amount of \$114,754.40. Elser was taken before Judge Harris and admitted to ball in the sum of \$1,500. Elser claims the amount due the city has not been embezzled and is now in the vault of the defunct

Colored Politician Shot. COLUMBIA, S. C., April 20.—Fred Nix, Jr., a well-known colored politician, was fatally wounded at Blacksburg, S. C., to-day, by B. R. Carroll. Nix wrote an insulting letter about Mr. Carroll, and posted it up in a postoffice. They met at the postoffice, and Mr. Carroll ordered Nix to take down the letter. An altercation followed, resulting in the shooting. Three balls lodged in Nix's body.

THREAT FROM RUSSIA

TREATY OF SHIMONOSEKI DOES NOT PLEASE THE CZAR'S PEOPLE.

Semi-Official Intimation that Agreement Between China and Japan Must Be Revised.

GERMANS ALSO PROTESTING

BRITISH INCLINED TO FAVOR TERMS OF THE PEACE CONVENTION.

Comment of the Press on the Subject-Oriental Diplomacy Praised by a "Veteran" at Washington.

ST. PETERSBURG, April 20 .- The newsthe conditions for the conclusion of peace between China and Japan. They are opposed to the Japanese acquiring territory on the mainland of China. The Novoe Vremya declares that Russia cannot tolerate the cession of territory north of the Gulf of Pe-Chi-Li, adding: "Japan may have Wei-Hai-Wei and any territory in the south. A revision of the treaty by the European powers is necessary, as we believe that Great Britain inclines to a separate understanding with Japan." Finally the Novoe Vremya says emphatically: "Russia cannot allow Japan to acquire the Liao Tung peninsula." The newspaper mentioned then urges prompt and vigorous action on the part of Russia. The Novosti favors the summoning of a European conference to consider the treaty, but doubts their solidarity. The Sviet demands that Russia annex Manchuria as far as the natural mountain boundaries and a portion of Coreis with Port Lazareff as compensation for the

gains of Japan. The strong protests of the press against the Japanese annexing the Liao Tung peninsula are fully indorsed by the Russian government. Much irritation is expressed at the reported change of Great Britain in favor of Japan, as being calculated to paralyze for a time a common agreement between the powers which is essential to the exercise of pressure upon Japan ... It is semi-officially stated that there is no truth in the story, which was put in circulation from Washington that Russia is fully aware of and gives secret but hearty approval of the conditions of peace exacted from China by Japan. It is further stated that the story was probably circulated in order to mislead China. Russia, according to the semi-official utterances, does not approve of the treaty of Shimonoseki and, acting under agreement with the powers, will protect her interests even if England holds aloof.

Comments of the German Press. Copyright, 1895, by the Associated Press.) BERLIN, April 20.-The treaty of peace

between China and Japan is unfavorably criticised in leading political circles, and the sending of two additional German war ships-the Kaiser and the Princess Wilhelmina-to the far East is generally approved. The Kreuz Zeltung, referring to the dispatch of the two war ships to reinforce the German squadron in Chinese waters, says: "Let us salute this measure as the

says: "Let us salute this measure as the beginning of a radical change in our transoceanic politics."

The Vossische Zeitung declares that Germany's place, while observing strict neutrality, must be on the side of Japan.

The North German Gazette, this afternoon, asserts that there is no ground for the fears expressed in some quarters that Germany would intimate her intention not to interfere in the settlement of the terms of peace arrived at between China and Japan, even before the powers have announced their views upon the matter. "On the contrary," the North German Gazette remarks, "the government is fully alive to the grave danger which might arise for Europe, politically and commercially, as a consequence of the new order of things in eastern Asia. Germany's interests are so important there that the government would be guilty of serious neglect if it were not

be guilty of serious neglect if it were not firmly determined to push our claims to the fullest extent." fullest extent."

The Cologne Gazette this evening says that in view of the pressure being exercised at that time by the war party in Japan Germany, at the beginning of March, enjoined the Japanese government to be moderate in the terms demanded for peace, urging that the cession of territory upon the mainland of China would be especially calculated to induce the intervention of the powers. Continuing, the Gazette says that when it was shown by the published terms of peace that Japan was not disposed to follow Germany's advice steps were immediately taken to establish an accord with the powers, and a complete agreement has been reached with Russia and France. The three powers, Germany, Rusment has been reached with Russia and France. The three powers, Germany, Russia and France, according to the Cologne Gazette, will now take steps to protect their interests in eastern Asia. The question of territorial changes will be first kept in view against Japan's desire to bind herself like a solld girdle around China, in order to be able to shut off China entirely from Europe. In case of need, it is also stated, the three powers mentioned intend to avert in good time any injury to their interests. It is added, however, that Germany would be glad to see Japan enjoy the fruits of her military prowess on condition that German interests are not injured.

England Will Not Interfere. NEW YORK, April 20 .- The World's special cable from London says: Lord Rosebery has only come twice to London in the past fortnight, both fimes to attend Cabinet councils called to consider the Eastern question. So far as can be judged by the tone of the official newspapers, the British government does not mean to interfere with the Japanese demands. The opposition press is no less pacific in tone.

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The Times expresses what is no doubt the exact situation in this statement: "The European states having interest in that part of the world will watch the progress events with attention and z-kiety. For the present, at all events, they have too many mutual jeal-ousies to give the Japanese any serious uneasiness. When the precise terms of the treaty of peace are made known, European diplomacy will probably make some show of taking them into consideration. But if the Japanese refuse, as they presumably will, to listen to diplomatic exhortations, it is difficult to conc ive that any effective interference with their plans need be seriouswill, to listen to diplomatic exhortations, it is difficult to concaive that any effective interference with their plans need be seriously apprehended. From expressions in the leading journals of the continent, outside of Russia, it is evident that Germany, Austria and France recognize the fatuity of any attempt to deprive Japan of what she demands. Russia alone continues to protest against Japan's occupation of Port Arthur. The hopelessness of concerted action by the European powers is acknowledged, even in the French press, and there is a general agreement that no single power could prevail against Japan.

"As to a loan of £30,000,000, financial authorities in London say it could only be placed at 7 per cent., mortgaging China revenue to the lenders. The annual interest charges on such a loan would be £2,100,000. China has now free customs revenue of only about £2,500,000. The opening of additional treaty ports would largely increase this, however, and if this is conceded in the treaty, China will get the money without serious difficulty. Lenders will demand that the mortgaged revenues shall be administered by Europeans."

ORIENTAL DIPLOMACY.

A Veteran's View of the Results of the Peace Conference,

WASHINGTON, April 20 .- "The conference of the Chino-Japanese peace envoys which has just closed will be historic in the annals of diplomacy," said a veteran of the liplomatic corps, who has had exceptional facilities for observing. "It has advanced Count Ito and Maisu, the Japanese envoys,